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Sir:

Please correct the Notice of Allowability mailed February 17, 2006 as follows.

On Page 2, Item No. 2, it is incorrectly noted that "The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-33". Please change the allowed claims to --1, and 3-33--. Claim 2 was canceled in the Reply filed December 16, 2005.

In addition, the Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement, a Form PTO-1449, and one non-U.S. reference in the English language on February 17, 2006. The Applicants request the Examiner's consideration and the Examiner's initials on the enclosed copy of the Form PTO

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1449, and that the initialed Form PTO-1449 be returned to Applicants representative together with the corrected Notice of Allowability.

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